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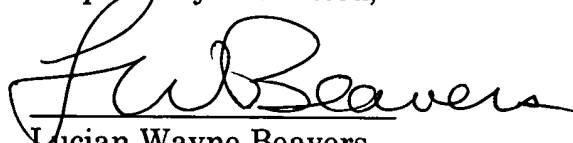
The Examiner has rejected claims 2, 3 and 7-9, which were indicated as allowable in a prior Office Action, based on newly discovered prior art.

Accordingly, Applicant has canceled those claims from the present application. Thus it is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance.

As noted in the previous amendment, Applicant does not concede that the rejected claims are not patentable, and in fact Applicant is simultaneously filing a continuation application including all of the rejected claims for further prosecution of the subject matter.

It is believed that this places the present application in condition for an expeditious allowance with claims 13, 14, 19-22, 24-26, 29-30, 33-34, 38, 39-44, 46-48 and 50-61.

Respectfully submitted,

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